

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Olympic Peninsula Resource Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Agriculture

2. Fiscal Year

2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Olympic Peninsula Resource Advisory Committee

3b. GSA Committee No.

13836

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

06/21/2016

6. Expected Renewal Date

06/21/2018

7. Expected Term Date

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

Not Applicable

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority

The SRS and Community Self-Determination Act as reauthorized in PL 110-343 and PL 112-141.

13. Effective Date

10/03/2008

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee Other Committee

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this Fiscal Year

17a. Open Meetings and Dates 0 17b. Closed Meetings and Dates 0 17c. Partially Closed Meetings and Dates 0 17d. Total Meetings and Dates 0

No Meetings

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$7,300.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00

18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$500.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$7,800.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.10

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The purpose of a Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act resource advisory committee is to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service consistent with Division C, Title VI of Public Law 110-343. The Act describes the duties of the committees as follows: to review projects proposed by counties and other interested parties; to recommend projects and funding; to provide early and continuous coordination with Forest Service officials; to provide frequent opportunities for citizens, organizations, tribes, land management agencies and other interested parties to participate openly and meaningfully, beginning in the early stages of project development; to monitor projects approved under the Act; to advise the designated federal official on the progress of monitoring; and to make recommendations for any appropriate changes or adjustments to projects being monitored.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The committee is comprised of 15 members, five in each of three categories prescribed in the Act. Within each category, the Act identifies specific interests members are to represent. Committees are formed in geographic areas to ensure each national forest located within a participating county or counties has access to a resource advisory committee. The Act requires members to be residents of the state or states within which the committee has jurisdiction.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The committee generally will meet 1-4 times per year as needed to perform its duties.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The RAC is necessary to improve collaborative relationships among the people that use and care for the National Forests and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with Title II of the Act.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

All meetings are open to the public.

21. Remarks

In FY2018, the RAC did not meet due to the SRS reauthorization and pending Charter

renewal.

Designated Federal Officer

Reta Laford Forest Supervisor, Olympic National Forest, Supervisor's Office

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Bailey, Peter	08/16/2017	08/16/2021	Owner - Quinault River Inn; Member National Forest Homeowners Association	Representative Member
Cormier, Wesley	08/16/2017	08/16/2021	Grays Harbor County Commissioner	Representative Member
Drexler (Jeffreys), Terri	05/24/2016	05/24/2020	Mason County Commissioner	Representative Member
Farlee, Rodney	08/16/2017	08/16/2021	Member: Backcountry Horsemen of Washington, Washington Trails Association	Representative Member
Hanson, Frank	05/24/2016	05/24/2020	Private Forest Land Owner	Representative Member
Horan, James	08/16/2017	08/21/2021	Retired Winter Recreation Manager, Washington State Parks	Representative Member
Jablonski, G.A. Ian	05/24/2016	05/24/2020	Water Resources Manager – City of Port Townsend; Member – Water Resources Inventory Area 17 Planning Unit	Representative Member
Morris, David	08/16/2017	08/16/2021	Adjunct Professor, Western Washington University; Retired Superintendent, National Park Service	Representative Member
Peach, William	08/16/2017	08/16/2021	Clallam County Commissioner; Former Timber Manager, Rayonier Inc.	Representative Member
Pokorny, Tamara	08/16/2017	08/16/2021	Member: Hood Canal Coordinating Council Lead Entity; Environmental Specialist, Jefferson County Public Health	Representative Member
Preston, Deborah	05/24/2016	05/24/2020	Coastal Information Officer – Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission	Representative Member
Rasmussen, Nicole	08/16/2017	08/16/2021	Water Quality Biologist, Quileute Tribe	Representative Member
Schindele, Mitzi	08/16/2017	08/16/2021	Office Manager - Willis Enterprise	Representative Member
Silver, Jill	08/16/2017	08/16/2021	Board Member: Olympic Forest Coalition, Jefferson County Noxious Weed Control Board	Representative Member
Yeh, Sharon	08/16/2017	08/16/2021	Former Recreation, Lands, Minerals and Heritage Program Manager, Olympic National Forest	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 15

Narrative Description

By recommending projects that maintain and improve the health of national forest ecosystems and improve cooperative relationships among the people who use and care for the national forests, the Secure Rural Schools resource advisory committees support the Forest Service mission to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the Nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. The committees specifically support Forest Service strategic goals to 1. Restore, sustain, and enhance the national forests; and 2. Provide and sustain benefits to the American people.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

The Olympic Peninsula RAC does not have a formal monitoring program in place at this time to monitor project progress or to make recommendations for improvements.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

Not Applicable

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

359

Number of Recommendations Comments

No new recommendations in FY18. From 2003-2017, the RAC recommended a total of 359 projects for funding for all four counties on the Olympic Peninsula (Clallam, Jefferson, Grays Harbor, Mason). Breakdown per fiscal year of awards: FY2017 - Twenty one projects were approved to receive full or partial funding for a total amount of \$360,933.

Itemized list of projects by county and dollar amount available.FY2016 - 24
projectsFY2014 - 19 projectsFY2013-23 projectsFY2012-25 projectsFY2011-18
projectsFY2010-18 projectsFY2009-10 - 28 projects

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

78%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

293 projects have been completed.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

12%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

35 projects are ongoing; 7 projects have not started and will begin in FY17; 3 projects were dropped. 21 new projects recommended in FY17.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

The Forest Service (FS) Designated Federal Official reports to the committee on whether recommended projects proposals are or are not approved by the FS. The DFO and RAC Coordinator also reports on actions taken to implement approved projects. This may take the form of verbal reports and presentations at committee meetings, committee field trips and monitoring activities.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

Not applicable.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

Yes

What is the estimated **Number** of grants reviewed for approval 0

What is the estimated **Number** of grants recommended for approval 0

What is the estimated **Dollar Value** of grants recommended for approval \$0

Grant Review Comments**How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO ☒

Online Agency Web Site ☒

Online Committee Web Site ☒

Online GSA FACA Web Site ☒

Publications ☒

Other ☐

Access Comments

Not applicable.